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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MASAYUKI YAMADA

Application No.: 09/263,262

Filed: March 5, 1999

For: SPEECH SYNTHESIS APPARATUS,
CONTROL METHOD THEREFOR,
AND COMPUTER-READABLE
MEMORY

Examiner: David D. Knepper

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
AND
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant petitions to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2003, for one (1) month, from July 15, 2003, up to and including August 15, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any

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additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Office Action mailed April 15, 2003, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following amendments: